

REMARKS

In the Decision on Appeal mailed 03/18/2008, the Board of Appeals has maintained the rejection of Claims 21 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first and second paragraphs. Applicant respectfully asserts that such rejection is deemed moot in view of the cancellation of such claims hereinabove.

Also in the Decision on Appeal mailed 03/18/2008, applicant notes that the Board of Appeals has reversed the Examiner's rejections of Claims 1-8, 10, 11, 14-16, 18 and 19 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Vaidya (U.S. Patent No. 6,279,113), and under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vaidya, in view of Porras (U.S. Patent Application No. 2003/0101358).

To this end, all of the independent claims are deemed allowable. Moreover, the remaining dependent claims are further deemed allowable, in view of their dependence on such independent claims.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NAI1P317).

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